

## A.S. DEGREE IN COMMUNITY HEALTH

For a description of the A.S. degree program in Community Health, see link below.

<http://www.hostos.cuny.edu/Administrative-Offices/Office-of-Academic-Affairs/Departments/Education/Programs/Community-Health/Description>

For more information, see link below.

<http://www.hostos.cuny.edu/Hostos/media/Pathways/Community-Health-AS-10-01-2019.pdf>

### SKILLS

**Analytical skills.** Health educators collect and analyze data in order to evaluate programs and to determine the needs of the people they serve.

**Instructional skills.** Health educators and community health workers should be comfortable with public speaking so that they can lead programs, teach classes, and facilitate discussion with clients and families.

**Interpersonal skills.** Health educators and community health workers interact with many people from a variety of backgrounds. They must be good listeners and be culturally sensitive to respond to the needs of the people they serve.

**Problem-solving skills.** Health educators and community health workers must think creatively about how to improve the health of the community through health education programs. In addition, they may need to solve problems that arise in planning programs, such as changes to their budget or resistance from the community they are serving.

**Writing skills.** Health educators and community health workers develop written materials to convey health-related information. Health educators also write proposals to develop programs and apply for funding.

### PAY

**\$40,360 in May 2019**

The median annual wage for community health workers was \$40,360 in May 2019.

### SAMPLE JOB

Community Health Worker, Peer Educator, Facilitator, Advocate, Referral Professional, Community Health Advisor, Family Advocate, Liaison, Health Promoter, Outreach Worker, Peer Counselor, Patient Navigator, Health Interpreter, and Public Health Aide

### Job Outlook

#### 11% Growth

Overall employment of health educators and community health workers is projected to grow 11 percent from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average for all occupations.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Health Educators and Community Health Workers, on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/community-and-social-service/health-educators.htm> (visited August 08, 2020).

### RESOURCES

<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/>

<http://hostos.cuny.edu/Administrative-Offices/Career-Services-Office>

<https://access.vault.com/career-insider-login.aspx?aid=148711>

<https://hostos-csm.symplicity.com/>